

House Judiciary Committee
March 16, 2011

**Testimony
in support of SB 276**

My name is Linda Gryczan, (rhymes with bison), the Gryczan in Gryczan v. Montana.

I want to acknowledge that some of you may not have supported the Montana Supreme Court decision that ruled this law unconstitutional. Some of you may not have supported the US Supreme Court decision that ruled this law and all others like it, unconstitutional. It is the law of the land.

The opposition may describe sex crimes in great detail. I would encourage you to not take the bait. Back in 1989, when we first began the legislative effort to overturn this law, we made changes in the statutes so that all sex crimes were prosecuted according to the crime, not the gender of the victim.

I have heard testimony in this committee suggesting that gay men should be put to death. I would hope that your vote would not imply that you agree.

Please vote as you would on an outdated law on any other topic.
Vote yes on SB 276